

In witness whereof, the party of the first part has hereunto signed and caused its name to be signed by its commissioner of public lands thereunto duly authorized, with the seal of his office affixed, and the lessee has signed this agreement the day and year first above written.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

By: *Ray Powell by J. Earl*
Commissioner of Public Lands, Lessor

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Randy G. Patterson (Seal)
Lessee (ATTORNEY IN FACT)

(PERSONAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

STATE OF _____ ss.

COUNTY OF _____ ss.

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 19____, by

My commission expires: _____
Notary Public

(ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY ATTORNEY-IN-FACT)

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ss.

COUNTY OF EDDY ss.

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 26th day of April, 1996, by

RANDY G. PATTERSON as attorney-in-fact in behalf of YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION, A NEW MEXICO CORPORATION.

My commission expires: 3-1-98 *Therian S. Hoshaw*
Notary Public

(ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY CORPORATION)

STATE OF _____ ss.

COUNTY OF _____ ss.

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 19____,

by _____ of _____
(Name) (Title) (Corporation)

a _____ corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

My commission expires: _____
Notary Public